

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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Dear Tribal Representative:

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) will be hosting an informational meeting for the California Tribal Community to discuss the proposed project described in the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries also will be participating to provide information on federal tribal consultation processes under the National Historic Preservation Act and the National Environmental Policy Act.

The BDCP sets out a comprehensive conservation strategy for the Bay-Delta designed to restore and protect ecosystem health, water supply, and water quality within a stable regulatory environment. The State and Federal agencies are developing a joint Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate and disclose the potential impacts associated with the BDCP action, alternatives to the BDCP and the No-Action alternative. The public review draft of the EIR/EIS will be available at the start of the 120-day public review period, which begins December 13, 2013. In addition to that public review process, the State agencies are implementing the Governor's Executive Order B-10-11 and the policy of the Natural Resources Agency regarding consultation with California Native American Tribes. This informational meeting is intended to inform and help prepare for that consultation.

You are invited to attend the BDCP Informational Meeting for the California Tribal Community. Representatives from DWR, CDFW, USFWS, Reclamation, and NOAA Fisheries will be present. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the California Secretary of State Building, Auditorium (see attached flyer).

If you have any questions about the upcoming meeting, please contact Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR, at (916) 653-8726 (work) or (916) 216-8637 (mobile) or by email Anecita.Agustinez@water.ca.gov, or Steven Ingram, Senior Staff Counsel and Tribal Liaison, CDFW, at (916) 651-7401 or by email Steven.Ingram@wildlife.ca.gov. I look forward to your participation in this meeting to discuss the BDCP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Laura King Moon'.

Laura King Moon
Chief Deputy Director

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